

AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA

**93 Musella 2010 Riserva (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Crushed iris, baked plum, cedar, tobacco and new leather aromas seamlessly come together on this bold full-bodied red. Smooth and ripe, the full-bodied palate doles out mature black cherry, raspberry jam, licorice and mocha framed in well-knit, velvety tannins. Drink 2018 through 2026. *Vino et Spiritus. Cellar Selection.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 16.5% **Price:** \$67

**93 Pieropan 2012 Vigna Garzon (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Aromas of scorched earth, leather, underbrush and cherries marinated in spirits emerge on this full-bodied red, along with a whiff of menthol. The firm chewy palate shows both opulence and freshness offering blackberry jam, baked plum, pipe tobacco and licorice alongside a backbone of velvety tannins. Drink 2017–2024. *LUX Wines.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 16% **Price:** \$79

**92 Fattori 2010 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Purple flower, baked plum, baking spice and leather aromas float out of the glass. The solid, chewy palate doles out juicy black cherry, blackberry, nutmeg, licorice and tobacco framed in solid but velvety tannins. Drink through 2022. *T. Edward Wines Ltd.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 16% **Price:** \$NA

**92 Pasqua 2006 Famiglia Pasqua Riserva (Amarone della Valpolicella).** This 90th anniversary edition boasts enticing aromas of baked plum, crushed violet, new leather, French oak and a whiff of pipe tobacco. The firm concentrated palate presents layers of dried blackberry, black cherry extract, licorice and cake spice framed in assertive fine-grained tannins. Give it a few more years to fully develop. Drink through 2018–2026. *Pasqua USA LLC. Cellar Selection.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15.5% **Price:** \$190

**91 Monteci 2009 Costa delle Corone (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Resin, cake spice, crushed blue flower and baked plum aromas lead the way. The powerfully structured palate delivers chewing tobacco, raisin, dried black cherry and licorice framed in robust well-knit tannins. *Wine 4 All.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 16% **Price:** \$85

**91 Musella 2011 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Aromas of exotic spice, baked plum, leather and menthol lead the nose along with a whiff of crushed purple flower. The smooth hearty palate delivers mature blackberry, prune, cinnamon and pipe tobacco while velvety tannins provide seamless

support. *Vino et Spiritus.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 16% **Price:** \$51

**91 Tenuta Santa Maria alla Pieve 2010 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Pressed rose, violet, forest floor, baked plum and cake spice aromas emerge on this full-bodied red. The concentrated palate also has finesse, offering dried cherry, licorice, cinnamon and pipe tobacco framed in fresh acidity and a backbone of firm but refined tannins. Drink 2017–2025. *Grapes On The Go Inc.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15% **Price:** \$NA

**91 Vivaldi 2010 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Cake spice, baked plum and crushed violet aromas emerge in the glass. The big, chewy palate doles out ripe Marasca cherry, mature blackberry, licorice and a hint of mocha alongside firm velvety tannins. A note of pipe tobacco closes the finish. Drink through 2022. *Wine 4 All.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15.5% **Price:** \$30

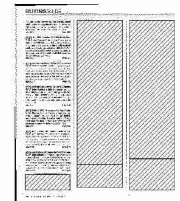
**90 Corte Adami 2013 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Aromas of French oak, coconut, blackcurrant, exotic spice and a whiff of grilled bell pepper lead the nose. The firm palate offers cassis, licorice, espresso and chewing tobacco alongside fine-grained tannins. *Dionysos Imports Inc.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15.5% **Price:** \$47

**90 Montresor 2013 Cantina Privata del Fondatore (Amarone della Valpolicella).** This opens with earthy aromas of game, leather, moist soil, menthol and spiced plum. The robust, surprisingly fresh palate delivers ripe morello cherry, black currant, licorice and tobacco alongside firm, polished tannins. Drink 2018 through 2023. *Total Wine & More.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15.5% **Price:** \$50

**90 Musella 2008 Senza Titolo (Amarone della Valpolicella).** You'll find aromas of resin, blue flower, spiced plum, leather and menthol on this boldly structured red. Densely concentrated and chewy, the palate delivers blackberry jam, black cherry extract, mocha, tobacco and a confectionery note alongside velvety tannins. *Vino et Spiritus.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 17% **Price:** \$199

**90 Pasqua 2012 Famiglia Pasqua (Amarone della Valpolicella).** This opens with aromas of mature black currant and dark baking spice. The full-bodied palate offers mature black cherry, ripe blackberry, licorice and pipe tobacco alongside a backbone of firm, fine-grained tannins. Drink 2017 through 2022. *Pasqua USA LLC.* —K.O.  
**abv:** 15% **Price:** \$40

**90 Tenuta Sant'Antonio 2012 Campo dei Gigli (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Aromas of French oak, espresso and coconut lift out of the



glass. The robust palate offers dried black cherry, black currant, chopped sage, roasted coffee bean and anise. A backbone of firm fine-grained tannins provide the support. Dalla Terra Winery Direct. —K.O.

abv: 16%

Price: \$70

**90 Tenuta Sant'Antonio 2007 Liliun Est Riserva (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Pipe tobacco, exotic spice, mature black-skinned berry aromas and a balsamic note slowly emerge on this brawny red. The powerfully built palate delivers

raisin, dried morello cherry, licorice, espresso and clove alongside bracing, close-grained tannins that grip the finish. Dalla Terra Winery Direct. —K.O.

abv: 16%

Price: \$NA

**89 Tedeschi 2012 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Aromas of underbrush, scorched earth, toasted hazelnut, dark spice, menthol and new leather emerge in the glass. The firm palate delivers dried black cherry, raisin, coffee and chewing tobacco while fine-grained tannins provide the framework. It finishes on a slightly bitter note. Dreyfus, Ashby & Co. —K.O.

abv: 16%

Price: \$65

**89 Tenuta Sant'Antonio 2013 Selezione Antonio Castagnedi (Amarone della Valpolicella).** Here's a structured red that opens with aromas of spiced plum, French oak, menthol and a floral note. The full-bodied straightforward palate offers raisin, espresso, licorice and a tobacco note alongside firm, fine-grained tannins and surprisingly fresh acidity. Dalla Terra Winery Direct. —K.O.

abv: 15%

Price: \$45

**88 Albino Armani 2010 Amarone della Valpolicella.** This big simple red opens with aromas of black currant, cedar and a whiff of blue flower. The robust, one-dimensional palate shows raisin, prune and coffee alongside round, velvety tannins. Saranty Imports. —K.O.

abv: 15.5%

Price: \$50

**88 Cantina di Monteforte 2012 Amarone della Valpolicella.** This hearty red opens with aromas of scorched earth, menthol, Asian spice, game and a whiff of stalky underbrush. The solid, earthy palate offers dried cherry marinated in spir- its, raisin, ground pepper and cured meat accom- panied by bracing tannins. It's a bit rustic but still appealing. D&D Italian Wines. —K.O.

abv: 14.5%

Price: \$46

**88 Monteci 2011 Amarone della Valpolicella.** Aromas suggesting smoke, dark cooking spice and mature black-skinned fruit emerge on this bracing, robust red. The firmly structured, one-

dimensional palate displays evident oak, coconut, espresso, raisin and a hint of tobacco alongside forceful tannins that leave a firm somewhat grainy finish. Wine 4 All. —K.O.

abv: 16%

Price: \$49

**88 Pasqua 2013 Black Label (Amarone della Valpolicella).** This firmly structured, vel- vety red opens with aromas of black currant, French oak, menthol, Asian spice and a whiff of grilled herb. The full-bodied, elegant palate doles out crushed blackberry, succulent morello cherry, licorice and tobacco alongside a backbone of taut, fine-grained tannins. Drink 2018–2027. Pasqua USA LLC. —K.O.

abv: 15%

Price: \$30

**87 Corte Moschina 2013 Amarone della Valpo- licella.** This brawny, one-dimensional red offers flavors of raisin, dark spice, a note of pow- dered sage and the heat of evident alcohol. Bracing, grainy tannins leave a sharp finish. Vi. Sco., Inc. —K.O.

abv: 16%

Price: \$40

**87 Tenute Fiorebelli 2011 Coste Bianche (Ama- rone della Valpolicella).** This hearty red has aromas of scorched earth, dry forest floor, French oak and grilled herb. The robust palate shows the heat of the vintage, offering raisin, toasted oak, lico- rice and clove alongside dusty drying tannins and modest acidity. Traditional Wine Innovations LLC. —K.O.

abv: 15%

Price: \$52

**86 Cà della Scala 2011 Amarone della Valpoli- cella.** This offers subdued aromas suggest- ing leather, raisin, spice and menthol. The bracing palate displays dried prune, tobacco and the heat of alcohol but not much fruit richness. Raspy tannins that leave an astringent finish. —K.O.

abv: 15%

Price: \$NA

**86 San Giuseppe 2013 Amarone della Valpoli- cella.** Bracing and full-bodied, this offers dried sour cherry, raisin and licorice flavors along- side raspy tannins that clench the finish. Give the tannins another few years to unwind then drink up before the remaining fruit disappears. San Giuseppe. —K.O.

abv: 15.5%

Price: \$40

**86 Villa Spinosa 2012 Amarone della Valpo- licella.** This opens with aromas of spirits, underbrush, menthol and dried tobacco leaf. The assertive palate displays dried sour cherry, raisin and licorice alongside astringent tannins. It lacks fruit richness while scorching alcohol dominates the finish. Tradizione Imports. —K.O.

abv: 16.5%

Price: \$55

**86** **Zeni 2010 Barriques (Amarone della Valpolicella).** This big bracing red opens with aromas of French oak, coconut and vanilla. Oak sensations dominate the dense assertive palate while astringent tannins leave a raspy finish. Monsieur Touton Selection Ltd. —K.O.  
**abv:** 16% **Price:** \$45